

ROANOKE REGIONAL INTERMODAL FACILITY SITE REVIEW

Elliston Site

Jurisdiction: Montgomery County

General Description: South of the tracks along the former N&W mainline approximately 18 rail miles west of downtown Roanoke. Straddles the SR 603 crossing.

Proximity to I-81 and Road Access: Approximately three highway miles to I-81 via SR 603, US 460, and SR 647

Access to the NS Heartland Corridor: On the Heartland Corridor, and is directly accessible to the NS Shenandoah Valley and Altavista lines.

Need for Grade Separations: Approximately one mile of SR 603 would have to be relocated to pass beneath the existing the rail bridge over the Roanoke River and a new highway bridge would be required to cross over the river. The existing SR 603 at-grade crossing would be eliminated. With relocation, no crossings would be blocked when trains are working the facility.

Size and Shape of Site and Ownership: 65+ acres, and permits double ended rail access. Private ownership. Moderately developed, with at least six residences directly affected.

Topography: Relatively flat, near mainline elevation.

Site Railroad Operating Characteristics: On double track mainline.